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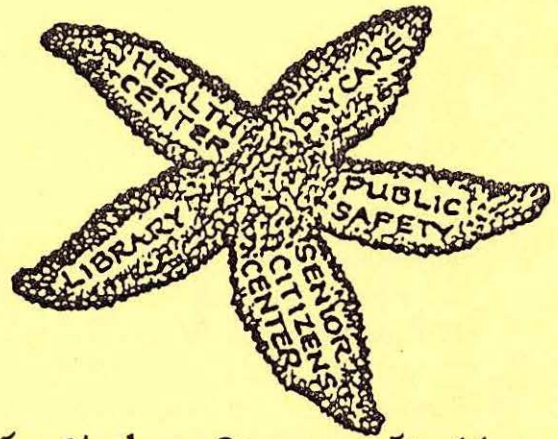
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Peaks Island STAR



Newsletter of the Island's Service Agencies & other Community News

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Lions Club News

Funds earned by the Lions this summer will be distributed among eligible non-profit groups on the island. A brief written request describing the organization and the purpose for financial aid must be sent no later than October 15th. The mailing address is Clark Smith, 398 Island Ave., Peaks Island.

The really, really spooky haunted house at the Lions Music Hall will again come alive this Halloween. There will be prizes for the best costumes plus games and treats and lots of laughs and screams. The doors will open at 6:00 PM.



Ladies Auxiliary Unit #142 News

The "*Wacky, Tacky or Classy Auction*" is back! It will be held at the American Legion Hall on Friday, October 12th. Items up for bid will be on display after 6:00 p.m. and the auction will begin at 7:00 p.m. Come join us and see what treasures we found in our attics this summer. If you have an item that you would like to donate to our zany auction, please contact Janice Wolkoff at 766-5053 or Lisa Lynch at Peaks Café. All proceeds go to our Past Presidents Scholarship Fund.

The Ladies Auxiliary is also launching their "*Dollars for Scholar-ships*" campaign on October 1st. The symbol for this month is the **Pumpkin**. Stop by Peaks Café or the American Legion to sign the pumpkin and make your donation to the Scholarship Fund. There will be a new symbol every month. We thank you for your support.

Look for details in the November Star for the Veteran's Day Breakfast at the Legion.

Peaks Island Baptist Church

235 Pleasant Ave.
Peaks Island, Maine
(207) 766-3037

Services: Sunday School 10 AM
Sunday Service 11 AM
Wednesday Prayer 7 PM

Fall is here again. What a great time to be on the island. We are so blessed to be able to live in such a beautiful place.

On Tuesday October 9th, we will be hosting the Maine Baptist Bible Fellowship meeting. The evening service starts at 6:30 pm.

There will be a youth night at church on Saturday, October 20. Events start at 6 PM. We will have a **Pumpkin Carving Contest!** There will also be food and games. All young people are welcome.

On November 3rd we will be heading up to Augusta for a **concert**. We'll be seeing the **Newsboys with Kutless and Newworldson**. We need to order tickets very soon, so if you are interested in going with us, please let Aaron and Michele Tranes know as soon as possible.

Their phone number is 766-2453. It's going to be an *awesome* show. Since we're going to get back late, this event is open to students in 8th grade and up.

All our services are open to anyone who wishes to attend. We love visitors and would love to meet you.

BRACKET MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

25 Church Street, Peaks Island, Maine

The Rev. Desi Larson; 207-766-5013 brackettmumc@yahoo.com

Worship, with childcare and Sunday School, 10 a.m. every Sunday

Open Hearts, Open Doors, Open Minds – We are a Reconciling Congregation –These words, "Reconciling, Inclusive, and Affirming Diversity", carry powerful meaning for the people of Peaks Island. The folks of Brackett Memorial United Methodist Church recently emphasized their mission to "welcome people of every age, gender, ethnic origin, cultural heritage, sexual orientation, economic reality, and diverse ability, in the full life, work and membership" of Brackett Church.

Bible Exploration/Discussion/Study – Wednesdays – 7 p.m. - Discussion and exploration of Hebrew Bible and New Testament scriptures at the parsonage, 9 Church Street. All are welcome to join in this on-going and evolving dialogue.

Friday, October 5, 7:30 p.m. – Open Mike Night! Join us for great entertainment and island talent as well as pie and other wonderful desserts all for just showing up! Share your talents or just come and be inspired.

Spiritual Journeys October 14 – 7:30-9:00 p.m.; This is a non-denominational, non-church affiliated group of people are meeting with the purpose of exploring diverse faith traditions and spiritual journeys. Meeting Oct 14 in the Brackett Church Fellowship Hall.

Rummage Sale – Saturday, October 6, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., with a "Dollar-a-Bag" at 1 p.m.

Help Wanted - We are looking for a child care worker to assist with the little ones on Sunday mornings. This is a paid position and the responsibility is strictly one of babysitter. Phone 766-5013 for more information.



CITY OF PORTLAND, MAINE
389 Congress Street
Portland, ME 04106

A candidate's forum for the Peaks Island Council will be held on Saturday, October 20, 2007 from 10 A.M. until 12 Noon at the Peaks Island Elementary School gymnasium. The moderator for the forum will be Portland District One City Councilor Kevin Donoghue. The forum will consist of opening remarks, a question/answer period, and closing remarks. This event is being sponsored by the City of Portland. For more information, please call Mike Murray, Island/Neighborhood Administrator, at 756-8288.



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Executive Department

Island/Neighborhood Services
Michael S. Murray, Administrator

Hello to All Peaks Island Residents:

First let me introduce myself – I am the new Island/Neighborhood Administrator for the City of Portland. My First day in this position was August 24th – the day of the Annual Island Tour by City officials. I was able to meet a few of you on that day, and more since.

During my first month on the job, I have spent a great deal of time re-acquainting myself with City Councilors, Department Heads, and other department managers. I have also been reviewing programs and policies with respect to the islands, and have been taking more extensive tours of the islands and their facilities, all of the time meeting new people.

Please feel free to contact me by email, msm@portlandmaine.gov or calling 756-8288.

Regards,

Michael Murray
Island/Neighborhood Administrator

SENIOR NEWS

The Peaks Island seniors met on September 10th for their pot luck luncheon. There was a good turnout with a great variety of food.

After lunch nurse Mary Koopman who works in the hospice field gave a presentation on Living Wills, specifically on "Five Wishes". The Living Will addresses personal, emotional and spiritual needs as well as medical needs. If you would like to find out more about the Living Will Mary has a web site. Call Denise Macaronas at the Community center and she can give you the address. This presentation was well received by the seniors. This document is legal in the state of Maine.

The North Andover Seniors came to Peaks Island on a mystery trip. The group was pleasantly surprised and a few of the people had summered on Peaks when younger and some have ties to Long Island. The North Andover seniors presented the Peaks Island seniors with a Certificate of Appreciation. They liked their experience so much that they are planning to make this an annual trip.

The next pot luck luncheon will be held on Monday October 8th at the 5th Maine Regiment Building at 12 noon. This will be the last time to meet at the 5th Maine for the year. For FUN as it is close to Halloween, wear a costume. Don't make it too scary as we could lose our appetites (humor).

SEE YOU ON OCTOBER 8TH !!

Peaks island Tax Assistance

On August 26th Island residents joined together at TEIA for the third annual "A Slice of Peaks" sponsored by Peaks Island Tax Assistance. Besides all of the delectable food donated by Islander bakers, The Inn on Peaks Island and Lisa Lynch of Peaks Cafe, we were entertained by outstanding island artists: Peaks Island Chorale, Ronda Dale and Kevin Attra, Phil Daligan, Stephanie Eliot, Camille Hanley, Eileen Hanley, Nancy Hoffman, Barnabas Johnson, Gunnell Larsdotter, Molly Radis. Mike Richards, Doug Smith, The Uncalled Four, and Jenni Yassi. George Rosol, the Island's Master of Ceremonies kept us entertained and on track. We were able to raise \$1800 for Tax Assistance. A huge thank you to all who participated and joined us on the 26th. We are constantly reminded that we live among very generous and caring neighbors and friends.

We are very interested in your suggestions, ideas, and criticism. Please join us at our next meeting on Wednesday, October 17, from 5-6 p.m. at the Senior Center on the Island. Watch the Star for our upcoming planned activities including Winter Carnival in February as we continue fundraising and planning activities for all Islanders. Our appreciation and thanks to all who have contributed and helped us to achieve our goal, "Islanders Helping Islanders".

Dorothy Morris, Catherine Shaw, Carla Robbins, Jane Gerard, Diane Clark, Judith McAllister, Beth Childs, Ralph Ashmore, Roy Mottla, Doug Smith, Betty Heller, Helene Swarts, , and Cynthia Pedlikin,

Peaks Island Health Center
Nancy Wright, FNP
87 Central Avenue PO Box 52 207-766-2929

Fall Office Hours will remain the same: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9 – 2:30. Appointments are recommended. The Health Center will be closed for vacation October 8 – 12. On-call and emergency numbers are available by calling the office during that time.

Health Center Happenings for October:

The **Community Dental** hygienist is here on Friday, October 12, and the dentist on Friday, October 19. For appointments, call 874-1025 x 3018. For podiatry appointments, please call **Ankle & Foot Associates** directly, at 761-3889. They will have office hours at the Health Center on Oct. 31.

Fall is here, and it is officially “flu shot clinic” season. **Clinics will be held at the Peaks Island Community Room.** The schedule is below, and we have arranged an evening clinic this year, to accommodate commuters.

Thursday, October 18, Visiting Nurses of So. Maine, 1-4 pm. \$30 for non-Mainecare, Medicare or Anthem patients.

Tuesday, October 23rd, VNA, 5-7 pm. \$30 for non-Mainecare or Medicare patients.

Tuesday, October 30th, City of Portland, 9-11 am. \$5 for non-Mainecare, Medicare patients.

Please arrive prepared to fill out some brief paperwork, and **with your insurance cards**, a check or cash, whichever is applicable.

VOLUNTEER ISLAND TRANSPORTATION

The volunteer island taxi service is available for all islanders free of charge. If you need a ride anywhere on the island, please call the volunteer listed for the day you need a lift. The drivers may not be at home when you call. Most have answering machines, however, so you can leave a message. We do the best we can! The usual hours are Monday through Friday daytime hours (excluding major holidays). **Please call the day before if at all possible!**

Date	Driver(s)	Phone	Date	Driver(s)	Phone
Mon. 10/1	Marjorie Phyfe	2307	Tue. 10/16	Marcie Appel	5071
Tue. 10/2	Jamie & Marty Braun	9726	Wed. 10/17	The Pedlikins	0067
Wed. 10/3	Dan Murphy	5849	Thur. 10/18	The Hurleys	899-2101
Thur. 10/4	Monica Stevenson	2010 (or 332-8012)	Fri. 10/19	Jeanne Hayman	2742
Fri. 10/5	Bill Zimmerman	0061 (or 712-1713)	Mon. 10/22	Diana Moxhay	2215
Mon. 10/8	Ron Shaw	3394	Tue. 10/23	Jackie Clifford	0022
Tue. 10/9	Peg Astarita	5997	Wed. 10/24	Roy Mottla	5837
Wed. 10/10	Ruth Williamson	5825	Thur. 10/25	Kay & Gene Taylor	2811
Thur. 10/11	Dick Swarts	2608	Fri. 10/26	The Elofsons	5192
Fri. 10/12	Mere Roberts	5819	Mon. 10/29	Chris Hoppin	2593
Mon. 10/15	Judy Piawlock	2109	Tue. 10/30	Harris Kennedy	0966
			Wed. 10/31	Stephanie Castle	2254
			Thur. 11/1	Clare & Bob Cary	5548

To serve as a volunteer, please call Cevia Rosol at 0059 or Nancy Hall at 2514. We can always use more drivers, and it's a great way to help your neighbors!



FIFTH MAINE REGIMENT MUSEUM

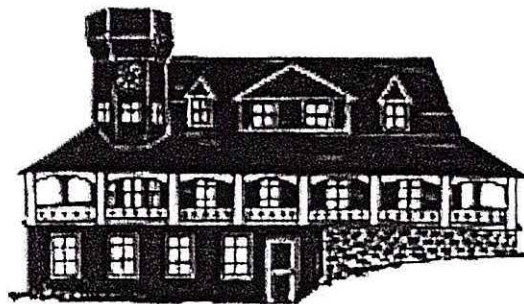
P.O. Box 41

Peaks Island, Maine 04108

(207) 766-3330 • fifthmaine@juno.com

Come celebrate the end of another busy season at our traditional **Harvest Supper on Saturday October 6**. None other than chef Bill Hinderer will prepare this delicious meal of pot roast, roasted fall vegetables, homemade pies, cider and coffee. There will be two seatings: 5:30 and 7:00 pm. **Tickets** are \$12 per adult and \$6 per child under age 10. This popular event often sells out so reservations are suggested by calling **Mary Ann at 766-0088**. If you've passed by the Hall lately, you may have noticed the exterior repairs/restoration going on.

As with all old wooden buildings on the island, Mother Nature takes her toll. Work will continue inside as well as outside throughout the fall and winter. Proceeds from the supper benefit the upkeep of the Fifth Maine Hall. The museum will remain open on week-ends through Columbus Day and other times by appointment.. Simply call Kim at 766-3330 to request a time to visit.



THE EIGHTH MAINE

A LIVING HISTORY MUSEUM & LODGE

207-766-5086

eighthmainehost@att.net

www.8thmaine.org

We greatly appreciate the response of islanders and others to our annual raffle. The winner of the two-day stay or \$200 cash was Jeana Gratz of Brighton, MA. Jeanne Kempers of Fairfield, ME, Meg Sapia of Rexford, NY, and T.J. Whitcomb of Cape Elizabeth were winners of other cash awards.

People at our concert and dance on Labor Day weekend enjoyed music of three different groups: Truth About Daisies, Cool Breeze and the Ronda Dale & Kevin Attra Duo. We are indebted to Ronda for organizing two of our season's four musical events and to the performers, who donated their talents to the Eighth Maine.

It is heartening to see the growing support from the public since room rentals, alone, cannot maintain our memorial building in a season that runs only from Memorial Day weekend to mid-September. If you have not visited us before, please come in '08. Our phone, and email are available year-round for inquiries and reservations.



PEAKS ISLAND CHORALE

The Peaks Island Chorale is excited to offer its summer concert one more time, in a new venue! **"Summer Spirit,"** a collection of original choral works by Faith York, will be performed **Saturday, October 13th, at 7:30 p.m.**, at the United Methodist Church on Route 77 in Cape Elizabeth. The concert is **free of charge**, and should end in time for attendees to make the 9:15 boat back to Peaks. If you didn't catch it in August, or if you'd like to hear it again, here's your chance! For more information, please call 766-5763.



Peaks Island Children's Workshop

PEAKS ISLAND CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP 71 HERMAN AVENUE 766-2854

The Children's Workshop is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, supported by five committees made up of parents, staff and community members. Five new members were welcomed at the September Board meeting; our current Board consists of President Elizabeth Buchsbaum, Vice President Cynthia Pedlikin, Tom Berg, Holly Hurd-Forsyth, Carla Robbins, Marilyn Staples and new members Celeste Bridgford, Gail Kelley, Mere Roberts, Judith McAllister and Mary Jo Roth. If you have an interest in serving on one of our committees (Finance, Human Resources, Fundraising/Development, Program, and Facility), please contact Elizabeth Buchsbaum, Jon Kelso or Debbie Johnson at the Workshop. Your participation and ideas really can help shape and influence the programming at the Workshop.

HIRING: If you love working with children and have approximately seven hours a week to give, please contact Debbie at the Workshop for an application. We need someone to work from 1:00 to 4:00 on Tuesdays, and 2:00 to 4:00 on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Salary is based on experience. Thanks to the Peaks Island Fund we also have an opening for someone to teach an after school cooking class one afternoon a week. The specific afternoon is negotiable and the salary is \$10.00 an hour. Contact Debbie at the Workshop if you are interested.

The **TODDLER PLAYGROUP** starts on September 28. If you are a new family on the island, come visit our center and meet other families from the community. Playgroup is a safe, secure unstructured play time each Friday morning for infants and toddlers and a time for parents or caregivers to socialize, get acquainted with Workshop staff and learn about our program. Playgroup meets at the Workshop on Friday from 10:15 to 11:00 while the preschool children enjoy Story Hour at the Public Library.

The **FOOD PANTRY** is low on staples. Donations can be left at the Workshop any time that we are open. If you are in need of canned or dry goods, please stop in any time Monday through Friday from 7AM-5PM and help yourself.

Peaks Island Junior Girl Scout Troop 1977

Registration for Junior Girl Scout Troop 1977 begins in October. Meetings will be held at the Brackett Memorial Church on every other Wednesday from 2:00 to 3:00 pm. All girls in grades 3 thru 6 are invited to join Junior Troop 1977. The first meeting will be held on October 3rd.

Please contact Diane Ricciotti at 766-5183 or Katherine Moxhay at 766-2756 for more information. We look forward to an exciting and fun year of Girl Scouting

Peaks Island School

We're happy to share that school has begun with many smiles and relative ease. The children are beginning to settle into their routines nicely and the teachers are working diligently to teach their classes the classroom procedures that will be in place throughout the entire school year.

We welcomed several new faces to our school community this Fall. Maryjane Johnston, who also teaches at the Nathan Clifford School on the mainland, is a warm, talented art teacher. Gail Trefethen-Kelley, a Peaks Island resident and a ray of sunshine, has rejoined our staff as the Occupational Therapist. Joyce Lavoie, a band teacher from Moore Middle School, will offer band instruction to our older students. Tina Veilleux, our school nurse, will visit the Peaks Island School for health screening and student wellness. Alexandra Daniello is our new Educational Technician, joining us two mornings a week. We know they will love the island and its children as much as we do!

Our annual Back to School Barbecue and Open House was on September 26th. After sharing a meal, the students enthusiastically led their families to their classrooms where there was an opportunity to learn more about curriculum planned for the year ahead.

With our eager students and talented staff we can expect a great year of learning and discovery



DEADLINE for next month's STAR: Thursday, October 25, by 6PM.
Please turn in items copy ready, at the library.


October at the Peaks Island Branch Library

In the Community Building 766-5540 www.portlandlibrary.com
Hours Open: Tues 2-8 Wed 10-4 Fri 10-2 Sat 8-12

Weekly Children's Programs: Story Time for preschoolers, Fridays at 10:15;
Nursery Rhyme Time for Infants & Toddlers, Wednesdays & Fridays at 11.

First Tuesdays Book Discussion: Discussions are open to anyone who would like to attend and always at 7 PM on the first Tuesday of the month. This month, October 2nd My Sister's Keeper by Jodi Picoult.

On November 6th "An Unexpected Forest" by Peaks Islander Eleanor Morse will be the topic of our discussion, with Eleanor in attendance. If you need a copy of the book, stop in, call or email the library to let us reserve one for you. (peaks@portland.lib.me.us)

Special Halloween Story Telling  Pat Crowley-Rockwell will be reading some of her favorite Halloween Tales. She can make it fun, entertaining, and sometimes a little scary. She always adds to the excitement of Halloween. Hope to see you on Tuesday, October 30th at 7 PM Recommended for children ages 5 to 8 years old.

Some of the New Books

Fiction: Susan Albert, Garden Spells; William Bernhard, Strip Search; Noah Charney, The Art Thief; Jennifer Crusie, Agnes and the Hitman; Dick Francis, Dead Heat; Ann Packer, Songs without Words; James Patterson, You've Been Warned; Kathy Reichs, Bones to Ashes; Jacqueline Sheehan, Lost & Found; William G. Tapply, One-way Ticket; Gail Tsukiyama, The Street of a Thousand Blossoms

NonFiction: Alan Alda, Things I Overheard While Talking To Myself; Bill Clinton, Giving; Barbara Kingsolver, Animal, Vegetable, Miracle; Edward Klein, Katie; Jonathan Kozol, Letters To A Young Teacher

Remember you can call or email us to reserve a copy

CANDIDATES' NIGHT

A CANDIDATES' NIGHT has been scheduled by PINA for the evening of Tuesday, October 23, at 7:15 PM. Candidates for the Portland City Council, the Portland School Committee, the Portland Water District, and the Casco Bay Island Transit District Board will make short presentations of their positions on issues and then be available to answer your questions. This candidates' night will be your best opportunity to meet, evaluate, and compare those you will be choosing for these offices in the November election.

A separate candidates' forum for the Peaks Island Council has been scheduled by the City of Portland. For this reason and because of the large number of candidates and time limits, the October 23 candidates' night will not include these positions.

OCTOBER ACTIVITIES on PEAKS ISLAND

Sponsored by Portland Parks and Recreation

To reserve space and equipment in the Community Building, you must contact Denise at least two days in advance. You may leave a message at 766-2970 or via email at dln@portlandmaine.gov. Please plan ahead as Denise works just part-time on the island and will be on vacation from October 8 – 12 and October 23 – 26.

ATTENTION VOLLEYBALL and BASKETBALL PLAYERS (15 years of age and older):

Evening Volleyball and Basketball will begin in September. Volleyball will be on **Tuesday** evenings (6:30 – 8:20 pm) beginning September 17. Basketball will be on **Wednesday** evenings (6:30 – 8:20 pm) beginning September 18. Participants 15 to 17 years old must have registration forms signed by a parent/guardian. Forms are available on Denise's bulletin board in the Community Center. Fee is \$2 per night or you may purchase a Punch Card for \$25 for 15 sessions. FMI, leave message at 766-2970 (Denise).

ISLAND HAPPENINGS FOR ADULTS

These programs are open to all adults. For more information, please leave a message for Denise at 766-2970

BINGO TIME & FALL CLEANING "FUN"

Start the month off right by having some Bingo fun. The prizes are tidbits found during fall cleaning. Bring your treasures to share as prizes, or depend on Denise's "stash".
Monday, October 1 10:45 am at PI Com. Ctr

AFTERNOON TEA: "MYSTERY" LOCATION

Monday, October 15 Meet at 1:00 pm at PI Com. Ctr

LUNCH and FREE MOVIE at COM. CTR:

ANNE OF GREEN GABLES (3+ hours)

Meet Anne, an orphan girl sent to an elderly brother & sister by mistake. Her fiery spirit and imagination will charm you. To celebrate Halloween, come in costume (movie character preferred). BYO lunch to enjoy during intermission.
Monday, October 29 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

MONDAY/THURSDAY AM PROGRAMS

Walking Program (all levels) Meet @ Com Ctr. 8:15am
Low-Impact Exercise (with weights) 9:30–10:30am

OFF-ISLAND TRIPS FOR ALL ADULTS

Pre-registration required – minimum for each trip is 8. Register as soon as possible as trips may get canceled if not enough people register prior to the event. Phone registrations begin on Thursday, October 4. Please leave a message for Denise at 766-2970. There is a transportation fee for all off-island trips (between \$3-\$5).

EARLY DINNER & FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK PORTLAND MUSEUM OF ART & FIRE MUSEUM

See the special exhibit at PMA of *Frank Lloyd Wright and the House Beautiful*. We will also have time to experience the Portland Fire Museum – a great look at the past.
Friday, October 5 3:45 pm boat/8:15 pm return

LUNCH at the LOBSTER SHACK (Cape Elizabeth)

Enjoy lunch with a view from the scenic Two Lights area. After lunch, we will ride to Kettle Cove and Higgins Beach.
Wednesday, October 17 12:45 pm boat/4:30 pm return

SHOPPING DOWN "SOUTH": BIDDEFORD

Join us for a fall tradition: Reny's, Shaw's, Marden's and the Dollar Tree Store.
Thursday, November 1 12:45 pm boat/5:30 pm return



Sponsored by the Friends of the Peaks Island Branch Library
FREE In the Community Room

Oct.	6 PM	Oct.	8 PM
6	<i>TMNT</i> (2007) PG, 87min	6	<i>Private Eyes</i> (1980) PG, 92 min
13	<i>Babe</i> (1995) P, 92 min	13	<i>Murder He Says</i> (1997) R 97 min
20	<i>Goonies</i> (1986) PG, 114m	20	<i>La Cage aux Folles</i> (1979) R, 103 min
27	<i>Iron Giant</i> (1999) PG, 87 min	27	<i>Woman in White</i> (1982) NR, 120 min

Thank you to Diane Clark, Jean Gulnick and Jeff Lovejoy, who have all volunteered to join the projectionists who show the movies. Backup Projectionists are always needed, please get in touch with film coordinator Ken Mehler, 9769, or let the library know.